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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification, please insert the following;

Page 5, Paragraph 4, line 25, please insert SEQ. ID. NO. 1:

Figure 1 shows product ion spectra of the [M + 107Ag]+ ion of leucine enkephalin, YGGFL (SEQ. ID. NO. 1), at different E_{cm} s: (a) 1.5 eV, (b) 2.0 eV, (c) 2.5 eV, and (d) composite of (a) to (c). $b^* = [b_n + OH + Ag]^+$, $b = [b_n - H + Ag]^+$, and $a = [a_n - H + Ag]^+$.

Page 5, Paragraph 5, line 29, please insert SEQ. ID. NO. 1:

Figure 2 shows a product-ion spectrum of the $[M + {}^{107}Ag]^+$ ion of leucine enkephalin, YGGFL (SEQ. ID. NO. 1), at a linear $E_{\rm cm}$ function from 2.5 eV for m/z= 30 to 1.5 eV for m/z = 663.